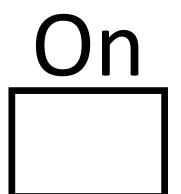
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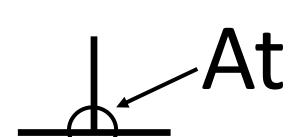
Which preposition to use?

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Countries, cities, places, buildings, rooms in buildings, "standing **in** the corner of the room", years, seasons, months, "will happen **in** [amount of time]."



Streets, "standing on the corner of the street", days



Specifics, "at a specific place," "at a specific time," "at the corner of 1st Street and 5th Avenue."

## Example

- Your friend calls you on his cell phone and is going to pick you up, "I understand you are at John's house. I am driving by in my car to pick you up. I'm turning left at the corner right now. Are you in his house, or outside standing on the corner?"
  - Use "at" when you are telling someone who is not with you your location. "I am at John's house," or "I am at work," or "I am at the corner of Rua Quitanda and Inhauma."
  - Use "in" or "on" to specify your *physical* location. "No, I am not standing *on* the corner, I am *in* his house still. I will go outside now and meet you."

## In / On / At for Time

Least specific

In

In the year 2006, I finished school.

In the summer, I am going on vacation.

In August, the Olympics begin.

In 15 years, I hope to have enough money to retire.

<u>On</u>

On the 18th, we have our next class.

On Friday, we play tennis.

Most specific

At 8:30 AM on Friday, we have a class.